

Where We Are in Time and Place

Central Idea:

People have devised ways to make sense of the earth and its environments

Unit Of Inquiry:

In U.O.I we are learning about cardinal directions which are North, South, East and West. The new unit is very cool and is very fun. The unit has lots of things to do with maps and the earth. The latitude and longitude lines are very useful for finding places on a map. They show where a place is and what degrees it is. For example, 23N, 23E is in a desert in Libya. There are also some directions called intermediate directions which are Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, and Southwest. These directions are useful if you are telling someone where you live e.g.: I live in Qatar which is North of Oman. The unit is so nice, I like it a lot.



We had to be in pairs and went outside. We had a compass, a trundle wheel and a hand-out with directions. For example: On the hand-out it tells you to go north and do a camel face. We had lots of fun.

We are doing collages with Ms. Denise about geography and we need to be collecting shells, leaves, buttons, sand, cloth, ribbon etc... We did this paper where we had to find the latitude and longitude of cities. We also had to find out which country the cities are in. On the other side of the paper we got some latitudes and longitudes and we had to find closest city to those numbers.

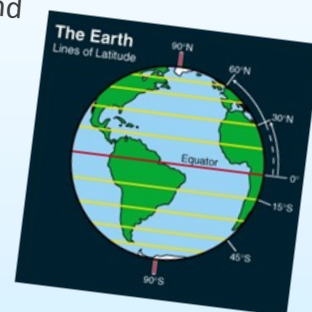
Maths:

In maths we are learning about percentage; percent means out of a hundred. If somebody says 50% of their bananas are green, which means half of the bananas are green. We did a test on decimals, percentages and fractions and most students did very well on it. Everyday year 6 learns something new. We are now learning about time measurement. This week we had questions about time: What is time? How many hours are in a day? And what did they use a long time ago when they had no watch or clock?



Some of the things they used were stars and the sun and the shadows. Imagine your life without time! It would all be messed up. We learnt a poem for the days in the months. Its goes like this: 30 days has September, April, June and November. All the rest have 31 except for February alone. It has 28 days clear and 29 in each leap year! Some people need help so secondary students are coming to help these students. I think all the students appreciate that because they are giving up their break to help us.

IN THE CLASSROOM



Language:

Fly Over Here and Read Our Book

In language we are reading The Fantastic Flying Journey. Every time we read this book together, it's our homework to do a summary about it. After we have finished our summary, we have to edit and proofread it. But also before we write down our summary we have to do a brainstorm or a rough copy so it can be easier for us to do our summary well. Our capital letters, punctuation, paragraphs and grammar have to make sense. We also do the newsletter which is a big thing because we have to find information and put it in a word document. After that, we have to e-mail it to ourselves so we can edit it in class. We also edited some of the mistakes the students did while writing the summary for the book.



Events

In Yr6

Last Week:

Last week the year 6's had decided to do some math every day at first break, the first fifteen minutes. Mr. Glover says which three people are going to it every day and they also have a calendar at their class so they do not forget. Secondary students come and help the children. It is really helpful for the children because if they are confused in something they can stay in and use their time to understand it. In this reporter's opinion this is really good, helpful and an interesting thing to do. "Math's in break is helpful for us and the secondary students," said Nina.

SEARCH FOR THE PIN!

Last week, year six went out in the playground to search for a pin. Each student got into a pair; they both got a trundle wheel a compass and directions. They had to use the directions to try and find the pin. The directions were 25 meters east and so on. Every time they finished a step they had to do an action. Mr. Glover was watching them and he said that some of them were forgetting to put the red arrow on North. Some student had to start over because they messed up but that is the fun part you are learning but you don't know that you are. The whole point of this was to help year 6 learn how to use a compass and directions. Lots of students found the pin on about their third try, others got lost. One important thing to remember is make sure when you read a compass the red arrow has to always point on North. In this reporter's opinion I think this is a great way of learning. I think lots of the year 6s had fun because a lot of them like to search for things. I also think that this was a good example of learning about the cardinal point which is North, South, East, and West. I think that these two lessons are to help year 6 understand more about compasses and where they need to go because their unit is "Where We Are in Place and Time." This is all about coordinates and all about the earth and lines of longitude and latitude. So I think this helped them a lot. "Have fun and learn" said Lynn. "Did you enjoy that?" asked Mr. Glover and 6G answered with a big "YES!"

Events

In Yr6

This Week:

The secondary community service!!

Last week some secondary students came to year 6g class in break time for some help with maths. Mr. Glover put a



calendar up on the class door to see who is on it and who wants to join if they have some math problems. Community service is to help other people. That is what the secondary students are doing. In this reporter's opinion I think it is helpful to people that are struggling with math. "I think it very helpful for the secondary that there coming and helping us" said Dania.

Events

In ISLQ:

Last week:

Guess what! The years 3, 4, 5 and 6s have been preparing for the next inter school tournament. The ATHLETICS!!! We have been practicing at break times and in our P.E time. The athletics tournament will have one girl and one boy from each school at one event. There are lots of events. Some of the events are high jump, long jump, javelin, triple jump, 60 meter sprint, 150 meter run and the 600 meter run. Some people will have one or two events and other people will have five or six events. The year 3 and 4 tournament is on the 9th of February but the years 5 and 6 tournament is yet to be announced. ISLQ is going to do the best they can to get 1st, 2nd or 3rd place. In this reporter's opinion I hope everyone that really wanted to be in the athletics gets to be in it with the events they wanted. "Everybody did a great job and I hope the people that are in the team do well," said Asma.

Events

In ISLQ:

Next week:

Next week ISLQ netball girls are going to the netball tournament. The tournament is going to be at the Al Khor, Doha, Qatar. The girls are from Year 6 and Year 5. The girls are going next Thursday to the tournament and are going at 11:00 am and hopefully will win. In this reporter's opinion the netball tournament is not going to be easy and hopefully we will win. "I will wish them a good luck." said Adriana. "I think the team is ready to win and I hope we will win." said Luisa.

Who wants PIZZA??!!

Some year 6s are raising money for Haiti by having a PIZZA DAY! want instead of lunch, and Hawaiian Pizza. piece is 5 riyals or



joining the Haiti group Act 6. The group is trying to raise doing bake sales or anything else. Next week they are Students from year 1 to year 6 can choose which pizza they but they have to choose one from Margarita, Pepperoni They also choose how many pieces they want and each more. Two of the students are calling and ordering, other want your child to have a pizza just give them the money and let them come at break to the group and give them the money; the group will be sitting in the hall. In the opinion of this reporter pizza is the best. "Are you excited to eat your pizza?" Malak asked "Yes, I want it." said Lynn

Events

In the community:

This week:

Asian cup!

Semi finals

Qatar Asian semi finals will play on the 25th of January this week. Australia and Uzbekistan are playing in Khalifa stadium. Where the other game will be Japan and Korea republic and they will be playing in Al-Gharafa stadium. If Australia won Uzbekistan and Japan won Korea republic, Australia will play with Japan on Saturday 29th of January. And Uzbekistan will play Korea republic for the third and fourth place. In my opinion I really want Australia to win the Asian cup. "Why do you think Australia is going to win" said Abdullah Alazawi.



Reminders

Never forget, or else...

Do not forget your reading log at home because you can never know when the teachers will check it. Never forget to do your reading either because if you do, you will have to stay in at break to do it. Don't forget to bring a cap and a bottle of water of the reusable type. Even when it's hot out, bring a jacket because the school can be very cold sometimes. Last but not least; NEVER forget to do your homework or else Ms. Roy will be very angry.

